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REPLY, UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Reply is submitted, under 37 C.F.R. §1.111, in response to an Office Action, mailed May 24, 2011. A terminal disclaimer is transmitted herewith. Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following remarks. No listing of claims is included, as no amendments have been made to the claims, herein.

1. Rejection of Claims 4, 5, 14, and 21, under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Gielen (WO 2004020410)

Claims 4, 5, 14, and 21 were rejected as being obvious over Gielen, a reference that constitutes prior art only under 35 U.S.C. §102(e). 35 U.S.C. §103(c)(1) states:

"Subject matter developed by another person, which qualifies as prior art only under one or more of subsections (e), (f), and (g) of section 102 of this title, shall note preclude patentability under this section where the subject matter and the claimed invention were, at the time the claimed invention was made, owned by the same person or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same person."

Applicants submit that the subject matter of Gielen and the claimed invention were, at the time the claimed invention was made, owned by the same organization, BAYER